REMARKS

Claims 1-27 stand rejected under the judicially created doctrine of double patenting over claim 7 of U.S. Patent No. 5,894,571. Although Applicant respectfully traverses this rejection, Applicant submits herewith a terminal disclaimer under 37 CFR 1.321 to obviate the double patenting rejection and expedite prosecution of the application.

In view of the above, it is respectfully submitted that claims 1-27 are in condition for allowance. Accordingly, an early Notice of Allowance is courteously solicited.

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